

Table 42. Factors that somewhat or greatly limited career path job search by recent doctoral recipients, by field of doctorate: 1997

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Factors limiting career path job search	Field of doctorate							
	All fields	Computer and mathematical sciences	Biological and agricultural sciences	Health sciences	Physical and related sciences	Social sciences	Psychology	Engineering
Total recent doctoral recipients seeking or holding a career path job (number).....	84,200	6,200	21,500	3,200	16,100	9,100	10,300	17,700
	Percent							
Factors that somewhat or greatly limited career path job search:								
Family responsibilities.....	39	31	43	45	37	38	44	35
Spouse's career or employment.....	35	32	39	40	33	36	40	26
Debt from undergraduate or graduate degree(s).....	15	S	15	S	12	16	31	12
Desire to not relocate.....	36	31	36	45	31	37	52	31
Suitable job not available.....	52	52	45	45	59	62	51	50
Other.....	8	S	8	S	9	S	10	8

KEY: S = Suppressed due to too few cases (fewer than 1,000 weighted cases).

NOTES: 'Recent doctoral recipients' are those who reported having received their doctorate between June of 1990 and 1996. Numbers are rounded

to nearest hundred. Percents are rounded to the whole number. Details may not add to totals because multiple answers were allowed.

Survey of Doctorate Recipients includes persons who had earned a research doctorate from an U.S. institution and resided in U.S. as of April 1997.

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